



# HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

## Office of the County Auditor

### FISCAL IMPACT NOTE

**Bill Number 14-8**

**Private Road Acceptance – Landis Circle**

Sponsor: Council President Boniface at the request of the County Executive

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#### Summary of Legislation

AN ACT to describe the improvements to be performed, to identify the properties to be benefited, and to establish an assessment basis and annual assessment for the Foxborough Farms – Landis Circle Road Acceptance Project.

The bill will take effect 60 days after it is enacted.

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#### Fiscal Impact Summary

There are 64 properties on Landis Circle that will pay an additional \$218.75 assessment with their property taxes. The increased County revenue will be used to pay for necessary improvements to Landis Circle.

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#### Fiscal Analysis

Currently, Landis Circle in Bel Air is a private road. As a private road, the owners of the community are responsible for the maintenance, stormwater management and drainage systems on their street. The residents have requested the County take over responsibility for the road and have agreed to pay an annual assessment for the cost of upgrading the road to County standards.

Over 20 years, the projected cost of upgrades is \$280,000. To recoup that amount, each property will be assessed \$218.75 per year. A capital project will also need to be created and approved before any of the funds can be spent for the improvements. When the improvements are completed, the total project cost will be evaluated to determine if any additional amount should be assessed.

The County has created similar assessments in the past; as an example, when existing communities are added to the Water and Sewer system a user benefit assessment is created.

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**Additional Information**

Previous Introductions: None

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